

St Peter Julian Eymard Catholic Church Mooroolbark Parish

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We are a Welcoming Eucharistic and Spirit Filled Parish Community.

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SPJE Parish School

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St. Richard's Parish School

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Normal Mass Times at SPJE

Weekday Masses - Tuesday - Friday: 9.15 am
Rosary prayed on
Wednesday and Thursday after 9.15 am Mass

Saturday: No morning Mass
Saturday: 6.00 pm (vigil)
Sunday: 9.00 am
Sunday: 11.00 am
Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 pm
or by arrangement with Priest.
Sacraments (Baptism, Weddings)
Ring Parish Office 9723 4275

STORY PROTE

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If assistance is required, please contact 1800 305 330, Mon – Fri 10 am-3 pm

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 9th September 2018 - Issue No: 32

HEALING OF THE DEAF MAN Mark 7:31-37

Like the deaf man in today's Gospel reading, Jesus intervenes in this man's life and grants him the gift of being able to hear and to speak.

In our lives, we ask for these same spiritual gifts – to be able to hear and speak deeply in tune with God's own heart.

St Benedict invites followers of Jesus, to live life by, "Listening with the ear of the Heart". So what does he mean?

In order to listen to God, to ourselves, those around us and our world, we need to take time to discover God's heart as we take time to be present in silence with our God

Gradually, a spaciousness in our hearts develops. We come to know our own hearts of generosity, woundedness and limitation and allow God to mould our heart like God's own. Then we can listen with deep compassion with God, to others around us as well as our selves.

Let us take time this week to reflect on the following questions.

What does God in great love, desire for me personally?

God speaks to us in many ways, not just words. Do I know the ways God speaks to my heart in my everyday life?

What does God desire and yearn deeply for us as a community and world community?

Michele McCourt—Parishioner



Weekday Mass Times

Tue to Friday Mass at 9.15 am

PARISH CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

8/9th Sept 23rd Sunday in Ord Time

Baptisms

13th Sept Thurs Baptism Meeting

Church Foyer 7.30pm

15/16th Sept 24th Sunday in Ord Time

Monthly Church Collection

21st Sept End of Term 3

22/23rd Sept25th Sunday in Ord Time
25th Sept Tues Greeting and Welcome 7.30pm

27th Sept Thurs RCIA enquiry night No.1

7.30pm Parish House

29/30th Sept 26th Sunday in Ord Time

11am Mass Baptism

OCTOBER

6/7th Oct 27th Sunday in Ord Time

Baptisms

Monthly Church Collection

9th Oct Spirit Day—Preparation for

Confirmation

12th Oct Confirmations 6.30pm
13/14th Oct 28th Sunday in Ord Time

13th Oct Confirmations 1.00pm, 3.00pm

ROSTERS

<u>Counters</u>

10th Sept Paul & Marianne Redfern, Norm

Willingham

17th Sept Bob & Wies Dight

<u>Flowers</u>

15th Sept Jane Parslow 22nd Sept Visa Maka

Cleaners

10th Sept Jessica & Gloria Romero, Catherine Tai 17th Sept Rosemary Cullinan, D'Almeida Family

> (Please collect church key from parish office Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm)

Ministers of Eucharist Coordinators for September

6.00 pm Philomena Turner 9.00 am Karen Broughton 11.00am Viv Margaletic

Readers and Commentators - 16/17th September

6.00 pm Jessica Romero, George Nantes 9.00 am Muzeena D'Almeida, Karen Broughton

11.00 am Marie Mutton, Volunteer

Readings for Next Week - 15/16th Sept

Is 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Prayers for the Sick

We pray for parishioners and friends who are ill, especially

Kay Williams, Pat Snowball, Jim Corrigan, Claire Lindsey (Jim & Brenda Corrigan's daughter), Jessie Elliott, Linda Young, Lynette Currucan, Frank Covino, Dorothy Smith, Brian Alan, Patrick Daly, Peter Margerison, Helen Reading, Marisa Fantin, Paul Brinschwitz, Evette Proctor

♣ Remembrance Diary

We remember those who have died, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

8/9 to 14/9

Charles Duke, Cheryl Rout, Edward Glab, Francis Maugueret, Maria Giuffrida, Nick Nagtzaam, Anne Reynolds, Claire & John Kelly, Gladys Pierce, Leonard Collins, Phemie Harris, Teresa Rose James, Dennis Burley, John Hicks, Walter Taylor, Celestina Savastio, Gerald Farrell, Joan Farrell, Mary Corrigan, Nancy Hamilton, Simon Watson, John Nyhuis, Bernard McLindon, Bruce Campbell, John Veips, Joseph Ekanayake, Ken Wells, Monica Lawson.

BAPTISM



We welcome the following children to our Parish through Baptism:

Indiana Bluhm, Nathan Grayling, Lachie Pirog & Levi Lacey.

As they receive the Holy Spirit through the Sacrament celebrated this weekend, may their faith guide them throughout their life.

September 9, 2018 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?"

JAMES 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society teaches us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first in all things and realize that material things really don't matter and that

Pope Francis General Audience of 5 September 2018

Discern True Rest from False Rest

Joining tourists and faithful in St Peter's Square on Wednesday, Pope Francis during his General Audience focuses on the Commandment, "Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day." The Pope told those gathered that resting on Sunday was not "a mere escape or diversion, but a command to imitate God himself, who on the seventh day rested from his works and contemplated the goodness of his creation."

False rest and true rest

He pointed out that there was "false rest and true rest". Society, he said, was thirsty for entertainment and holidays. The image-model, the Pope continued, was "that of a successful person who can afford different kinds of pleasure. But this mentality, he noted, slips towards the dissatisfaction of an anesthetized existence of entertainment that is not rest, but alienation and escape from reality. Man has never rested as much as today, yet man has never experienced as much emptiness as today."

Rest and contemplation

On the other hand, explained Pope Francis, true rest "is a moment of contemplation, of praise." It is a time to look at reality and say: how beautiful life is. It is the day, he continued, to say to God: thank you for your life, for your mercy, for all your gifts." Sunday, the Pontiff stressed, was not the day to cancel the other days but to recall them, bless them and make peace with life because it is life is precious. Peace is chosen, he said, it "cannot be imposed and cannot be found by chance."

In God alone do our souls find rest.

The Pope concluded by saying, "when, on our weekly day of rest, we contemplate our lives and the world around us, let us be conscious of God's provident care and conform ourselves, like Jesus, to the Father's will, knowing that, in the end, "all is grace". For, as the Psalmist assures us, in God alone do our souls find rest."

Special Monthly Church Collection 2018-19

The Parish Pastoral Council and Financial Committee have decided to introduce a special monthly collection over the next 12 months. If this is successful and meets the running costs for our parish, we will continue with this collection. This collection is for those parishioners to contribute, who, for whatever reason, have not committed to the Thanksgiving envelopes.

Yours in Christ Parish Pastoral Council & Financial Committee

Next Special Church Collection 15/16th September

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM—AIRS 16 September 2018

Just a reminder, that all Journey Catholic Radio



information is always a week in advance
This week on The Journey, Sr. Hilda Scott shares
Wisdom from the Abbey with her reflection on
Cardinal Basil Hume, Bruce Downes, The Catholic
Guy encourages us to "Surrender To God", and
Francine Pirolas shares her vision and "Willingness
to Grow". We are blessed to have amazing
talented musicians sharing their gifts with us, it is
also where faith, hope, love and life live together in
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MELBOURNE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE September 2018 ISSUE [WALLS]

September Edition of Melbourne Catholic is now available.

This issue is about 'Walls'

- •Writing on the wall
- •Dismantling walls
- Gardens that flourish behind walls

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ST. PETER JULIAN EYMARD PARISH STRIVES TO BE A WELCOMING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY



IN THESE HECTIC TIMES, IS THE CATHOLIC CHURCH A BIT OF A PUZZLE?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW SOMETHING MORE ABOUT WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE & DO?

GET ANSWERS TO LONG HELD QUESTIONS OR PUZZLES?
WOULD YOU LIKE TO REFRESH YOUR OWN FAITH?
OR EVEN PREPARE FOR ADULT CONFIRMATION?

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES" OR "SOMETIMES" - WHY NOT COME **TO** A SERIES OF ENQUIRY EVENINGS AT THE SPJE PARISH HOUSE / CHURCH ON

THURSDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER AT 7:30PM [Parish House] THURSDAY, 4th OCTOBER AT 7:30PM. [Church Foyer] THURSDAY, 11th OCTOBER AT 7:30PM. [Church Foyer]

If these or similar questions have nagged you or one of your family or friends, you might like to join us for these Enquiry Evenings led by a Parish Group known as the RCIA TEAM.

("RCIA means "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

The evenings (of about an hour) are informal and interactive, paced to those present and without any pressure, in an atmosphere that is warm and friendly - commencing with a cuppa. And you can bring along a family member, friend or neighbour as your support, if you wish.

If you would like to come – or just ask a few questions - please ring (or leave a message for) Michael McLindon, RCIA Coordinator, on 0401331131; or call the Parish House on 9723 4275 to leave your name & details, and a Team Member will be in touch.

The address for the Gatherings is: SPJE Parish House / Church, 234 Hull Rd, Mooroolbark, 3138, There is ample car parking off Hull Road.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU.



Jan Smith, Lynne Blackshaw, Craig Hume, Gerard Wheeler & Michael McLindon. RCIA Team_2018-19